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WASHINGTON--EFFORTS TO COMPROMISE A SENATE FIGHT OVER SUPERVISING CIA SPY ACTIVITIES APPEARED TO BE COLLAPSING TODAY. REPUBLICAN LEADER EVERETT M. DIRKSEN SAID THE ISSUE WILL HAVE TO BE THRESSED OUT ON THE FLOOR.

"I HAVE THOUGHT ABOUT IT A LOT," THE ILLINOIS LEGISLATOR TOLD UPI WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE PROSPECTS OF A COMPROMISE. "I JUST DON'T SEE HOW IT CAN BE DONE."

CRUX OF THE BATTLE IS AN ATTEMPT BY THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE TO PARTICIPATE IN CIA OVERSEER ACTIVITIES NOW PERFORMED EXCLUSIVELY BY A SEVEN-MEMBER GROUP OF THE ARMED SERVICES AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEES. FOREIGN RELATIONS CHAIRMAN J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT SAID PARTICIPATION BY MEMBERS OF HIS COMMITTEE IS NEEDED SO THAT CIA FOREIGN POLICY OPERATIONS CAN BE MONITORED PROPERLY.

MEMBERS OF THE ARMED SERVICES AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEES ARE FIRMLY OPPOSED.

DIRKSEN SPECIFICALLY REJECTED ONE PLAN WHICH HAD SEEMED PROMISING. IT CALLED FOR A NEW AND INDEPENDENT NINE-MEMBER SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE TO KEEP TABS ON THE CIA IN THE FOREIGN POLICY FIELD.

UNDER THIS PLAN, PRESIDENT JOHNSON WOULD ACT AS ARBITER IF DISPUTES AROSE OVER A CIA DIRECTOR'S REFUSAL TO DIVULGE CERTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT FOREIGN RELATIONS.

ACCORDING TO ONE KNOWLEDGEABLE SOURCE, THE PROPOSAL WAS OUTLINED FOR JOHNSON LAST THURSDAY BY SENATE LEADERS. HE APPARENTLY DID NOT GIVE IT HIS BLESSING.

THE JURISDICTIONAL ISSUE WAS HEADED FOR A FLOOR FIGHT WHEN SENATE DEMOCRATIC LEADER MIKE MANSFIELD, MONT., RETURNING FROM A HOSPITAL, SOUGHT TO EFFECT A COMPROMISE. HE HELD A SERIES OF CONFERENCES WITH CHAIRMAN RICHARD B. RUSSELL, D-GA., OF THE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE, FULBRIGHT, AND WITH SEN. EUGENE J. McCARTHY, D-MINN., WHO PROPOSED THE NINE-MAMBER COMMITTEE.

DIRKSEN ALSO PARTICIPATED IN SOME OF THE HUDDLES ALTHOUGH HE HAD OPPOSED ANY CHANGE IN THE PRESENT SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM. AT ONE POINT THIS PAST WEEK HE SAID HE WAS NOT SURE WHETHER A COMPROMISE COULD BE WORKED OUT. IN COMMENT TO UPI SATURDAY, APPARENTLY CLOSING THE DOOR FIRMLY ON A COMPROMISE, DIRKSEN SAID:

"I THINK WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO FIGHT IT OUT ON THE FLOOR. PERHAPS IT WILL SERVE TO SHOW THAT THERE ARE SOME OF US HERE ON THE HILL WHO THINK THIS MUST BE TREATED EVEN MORE SECURELY."

AS TO THE PROPOSED NEW SUBCOMMITTEE, DIRKSEN SAID HE THOUGHT IT INEVITABLE THAT CIA INFORMATION SOUGHT BY A FOREIGN RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE WOULD BE INFORMATION WHICH SHOULD NOT BE DISCLOSED BY CIA BECAUSE OF ITS SECRET NATURE.

SUPPORTERS OF THE PRESENT CIA SUBCOMMITTEE CONTEND THAT THE INFORMATION REFUSED THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE BY CIA DIRECTOR RABORN WAS INFORMATION OF THAT TYPE--SPECIFICALLY, DATA ON CIA OVERSEAS RECRUITING PROCEDURES.

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